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## Fears hard up families will have to rely on food banks

by Trevor Bevens

DORCHESTER charities are seeing more people asking for help – because they cannot afford to buy food.

Dr Margaret Barker, from Dorchester Poverty Action Group, says the

difference between this and other hard economic times is the number of people not being able to pay for food.

“We didn’t have situations as dire as this until the major change in the benefits system...admittedly there were times

when people did need money for food, but it was not in the sort of numbers that are arising now,” she told a Dorchester meeting.

The charity is also seeing an increase in the number of families who suddenly find themselves without a regular income for the first time and struggle to cope with the benefits system and are shocked to discover they may have to wait two months to get any kind of financial help.

Dr Barker said that several years ago local campaigners rejected the idea that the town might need a foodbank – but were now grateful that the town now has one, based at the Dorford Church.

She warned that there was a danger some families could spend years relying on food donations: “The Dorford foodbank is well run and does ask that the referring agencies have some sort of plan in place for people to prevent the foodbank being the long-term solution to their problems...The American



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**DORCHESTER'S Wally Gundry** came to the county as a war-time evacuee, returned briefly to his native London, and then returned to Dorset where he's been very much a part of the local community for more than half a century.

Wally, or Walter, to be more correct, has been a town and district councillor, county town mayor and long-time supporter of the Dorset Youth Association. You might equally find him working with the disabled club or helping out as one of the founder Friends of Dorchester West Station.

This time of year he has also been known to don a red suit and white beard and help Santa out – notably for the Weldmar Hospicecare Trust originally at the Galton and now at Poundbury Garden Centre.

#### ● WHAT are your first memories of Dorset?

I first came to Dorset in 1939 as a five-and-a half year old with a broken arm. I'd been messing around on the running board of a car with a stick – the two somehow became entangled!

I came to Sturminster Newton with my sister Winnie, who was seven, and went to live with Colonel and Mrs Norris. She was a retired hospital matron so I supposed I was sent there because of my broken arm.

It had all been arranged through my sister's school although I wasn't really aware of what the arrangements were. After that I moved on to Marnhull where he lived with a lady who had originally come from London with several other children and from there to Bagber.

Eventually my mother came down and we had a cottage in The Row at Sturminster Newton but my father remained in London working as a foreman in a hardware company.

He was also keen on first aid and the family home had a real skeleton and the house had anatomical posters all around it.

#### ● DID you return to London?

Yes, I think it was thought it was getting safer, but we were bombed out or blasted out several times. Tragically my mother was with us in an Anderson Shelter when the house took a direct hit and she was killed by the blast.

I went back to Mr and Mrs Lane in Bagber but then returned to London again after about a year. I was one of the first to take the eleven-plus and won a place at Archbishop Tenison's Grammar School. We used to use the Oval, next door, when the school had cricket matches but in those days part of the grounds were still used as allotments.

#### ● AND you made it back to Dorset again.

**How did that come about?**

I didn't really like school that much and by then I had decided I hated London so I left school early and in 1949, aged 15, and joined a British Boys for British Farms project organised by the YMCA. Originally I went to Pill near Bristol where I was trained and kitted out, learning the basics and



from there went on to live and work on family farms... originally to Frome and other places including Fontmell Magna. Then with Lady Christian Martin at Came House in the 1950s and also at Cheselbourne.

#### ● WAS there some surprise when you won your council seat for the council for the Labour Party?

Not really, there were more Labour members in those days and besides that a lot of people knew me from either dancing, youth work, or as a postman.

In 1991 I became town and district councillor for Labour – beating John Antell by just one vote... he could vote for me but because of the ward differences I couldn't vote for

him! In those days Labour had four or five councillors on the district and the way the council worked then one of us was on each committee so we had a voice.

#### ● AND since leaving both the town and district councils are you still busy?

Yes. I've carried on my involvement with what was the Dorset Association of Youth Club, now the DYA, where I'm vice president.

I've also volunteered for about 20 years for the Dorchester Association for the Disabled, picking up and taking people to their regular meetings and also on outings.

I've been involved with Dorchester Area Community Partnership since it started in about 2001 and was chairman for a while.

I was also in at the start of the Friends of the West Rail Station and usually help out weekly.

And I've been Father Christmas for the hospice about 10 years, originally at Galton Garden Centre and now at Poundbury Garden Centre. There's nothing better than to see the faces of children.

#### ● ANY favourite books?

I learned a lot, especially in later years, from Dickens. I read him as a boy but didn't really understand it as well then. When I read it later I realised what a powerful social commentary he was offering: How he highlighted what are often hidden problems. I'm often struck by how some of those problems are still here, especially with young people with finding work, and how some are still thrown out by their families.

#### ● WHO would you invite for a Christmas meal?

Tony Benn, who I've met on several occasions but would like to have more time to talk to.

#### ● AND if it wasn't turkey what would be a treat?

A decent rib-eye steak topped with fan tailed prawns.

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## Parking scheme to be piloted

BARRIER-less parking is to come to at least one Dorchester car park next year – as an experiment.

The move has been welcomed by the Dorchester Business Improvement District which believes it will encourage shoppers as they will then only pay for the time they use.

A district council decision to maintain short-stay parking charges for an eighth consecutive year has also been welcomed – although there is concern about an increase at The Fairfield, the long-stay section opposite the Brewery Square development.

Other changes include the expansion of the pay-by-phone service currently operating in Dorchester to all off-street car parks owned by West Dorset District Council.

The Wollaston Field car park in Dorchester has been chosen for the pay-on-exit scheme pilot with another pilot project in East Street and/or South Street in Bridport, Newland North in Sherborne and Broad Street in Lyme Regis.

Free Sunday and overnight parking will also continue in all district-run car parks in Dorchester, Bridport, Beaminster and Sherborne.

The change for Fairfield in Dorchester brings charges for the Middle and Little Fairfield Car Park in line with the Top o' Town Car Park and will see the minimum long-stay all-day parking charge at £2 in all other West Dorset District Council-run car parks.

Parking all day, between 8am and 6pm, will cost £4 at the Fairfield, double the current £2 charge – a change which could bring the district council an extra £200,000 a year, or force drivers onto nearby residential streets, according to objectors to the increase.

The problem is recognised in the district council report which recommended the change to the parking charge and suggests that more needs to be done to encourage use of the park and ride at the football ground.

Town councillor David Taylor has described the Fairfield increase as “outrageous” and has said it will upset independent retailers in particular: “It’s the price of a cup of coffee in town which people will now have to spend on parking and not investing in local trade.”

He believes that more shoppers will use residential parking around the town and at Poundbury when the charges start in April.

Phil Gordon, director of Dorchester BID, said it was difficult to argue against the Fairfield increase which brought the car park in line with others in the town and was still cheaper for all-day parking than many rival towns.

He said he was delighted with the decision to try the

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pay on exit scheme which, he believed, would make it easier for people: “The BID overwhelmingly supports

## Charities desperately helping those in need

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system has come here to meet this crisis situation. It’s good in that the community are rising to meet the occasion but it’s terrible, and an absolute indictment of our welfare system, that it is necessary.

“My fear for the foodbanks is that they will become a permanent part of the scene and a permanent part of the economy so that some people will never move away from needing their help.”

She also spoke about types of help which have “faded away” – including an NHS fund which used to help families meet the cost of visiting a sick child at Great Ormond Street or Southampton Hospitals.

And she said that she feared that many people in desperate need of help locally were not getting access to funding because of the decline in the number of “frontline” workers; health visitors and social

workers who would direct clients to charity help when needed and also because of the lack of time those professionals had to help make the applications.

The Poverty Action Group has a £150 limit to its grants and last year paid out £6,000 in 91 grants. Four years ago the group was paying out half that amount and received half the number applications.

“There has been quite an escalation, although not as massive an escalation as I had originally expected.”

Dorchester Mayor, Stella Jones, who on Friday held a foodbank collection in the Corn Exchange said she was saddened that so many people needed help in what, on the face of it, is an affluent town.

“It’s largely a hidden problem...most people simply aren’t aware of it,” she said.

In addition to extra grants The Poverty Action

the initiative for pay on exit parking – it’s something we have been asking for since 2008..

“For those who are able to use computers, you set up an account and you can simply drive in and out of Dorchester’s car parks, not worry about it, and the system debits your account without you having to do anything.”



**■ DR Margaret Barker speaking about growing food poverty in Dorchester**

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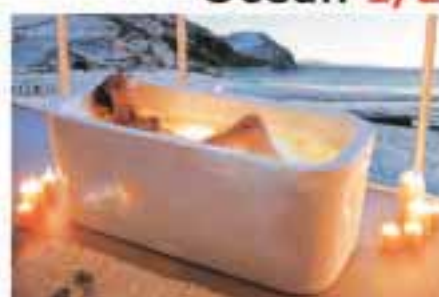
DOZENS of people from the Dorchester area, who would otherwise be alone on Christmas Day, will be fed and entertained by volunteers.

The Company at Christmas scheme involves volunteers collecting guests from their homes and taking them to the county hospital where they will enjoy a traditional lunch, talking and playing games and then returning them home again.

“We are fortunate this year in having enough volunteers offering to help, including some who help out every year,” said Volunteer Centre organiser Marie Waterman.

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Current chief executive David Clarke retires in April 2014 and the partnership is seeking an "exceptional" individual to lead the councils through an extremely challenging programme of transformation and change.

A council statement said: "Despite financial challenges, the councils' ambition for 2020 is to be an expanding organisation with a strong commercial focus which drives economic regeneration and delivers high standards for the local community."

"This is a critical role which demands an exceptional candidate who will lead an organisation with a 600-strong workforce and budgets/assets worth hundreds of millions."

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"This represents a cost of around £57,500 for each council, and gives excellent value for money when compared with similar local government chief executive posts in the job market."

"The partnership was recently recognised as leading edge by the Local Government Association."

## Dorset fire service to join forces with Wiltshire

DORSET Fire and Rescue Service could be joining forces with their Wiltshire counterparts in an attempt to make savings.

Talks have been held between the two authorities with the aim of amalgamation by April 2016.

Both are predominantly rural counties with the majority of fire cover already provided by on call firefighters and both already work together on a number of initiatives because of their shared border.

Both have already faced cuts in grant from Central Government – which is expected to be halved by 2019.

A joint statement from Councillor Rebecca Knox, Chairman of Dorset Fire Authority, and Councillor Graham Payne, Chairman of Wiltshire & Swindon Fire Authority, said: "Both Services have and continue to make substantial savings, but the

level of grant we receive from Government will continue to decline. In order to minimise any impact on the level of response we provide to our communities, members of both fire authorities have agreed to explore closer working with a view to the combination in 2016. We estimate that this will provide significant savings, lessen the reductions to front line services thus assist us in maintaining emergency response standards and make us more resilient."

"We will also be consulting on the decision to move to a Joint Command and Control Centre in Potterne, Wiltshire in 2015. We appreciate that this will be an uncertain time for staff and we will be working closely with them and representative bodies over the coming months."

Darran Gunter, Chief Fire Officer of Dorset, and Simon Routh-Jones,

Chief Fire Officer of Wiltshire, said: "Our priority is to protect the services we provide to the public. As individual relatively small fire and rescue services we cannot sustain the continued reductions in Government grant and look to maintain as far as possible response standards without significant change to our organisations."

"In order to protect frontline services to the best of our ability, we have concluded that the best solution is for the two organisations to combine."

"Together, we can achieve so much more and combination will give us an opportunity to explore new ways of working. As well as achieving significant savings, this will give us greater resilience and allow us to continue providing an efficient and effective fire and rescue service to our local communities."

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# Force to consult on front desk cuts

FURTHER talks will be held in the New Year about proposals to reduce or even close some police station counters.

Many, including Dorchester, are already operating on reduced hours as the force seeks

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to save up to half a million pounds in year in running costs.

Dorset Police and the Police and Crime Commissioner have wel-

comed the public response so far and are now keen to look at alternative solutions, including shared provision with other public bodies. One

example quoted is that of Swanage where the town council office also hosts a police desk.

Police and Crime Commissioner Martyn Underhill said: "When the force and I launched the consultation process in early October, I said that it was important to me that we listen to all of our communities about the proposals.

"This is why I've been meeting with residents, partner agencies and other key stakeholders to make sure that as many views as possible are captured.

"As a result of this consultation process, a number of alternative suggestions have been proposed and I'm keen that more detailed proposals are shared with the public and explored further. That, for me, is what consultation is all about.

"For that reason, the force will once again launch a public consultation process in the early part of 2014 in the hope that members of the public will share their views on the options available and help us to make

some very difficult decisions."

Chief Constable Debbie Simpson said: "As anticipated, the consultation process has highlighted that any changes to local policing will generate considerable discussion, as well as a range of alternative suggestions for how we can deliver services.

"Many of the suggestions that the force has received involve working in partnership with other agencies to deliver joint counter service provision in the future...

"I can confirm that counter service provision will remain in Bournemouth, Weymouth and North Dorset. We are also developing opportunities to share services with partner agencies and these ideas are being explored in more detail.

The force will provide specific proposals for consultation in the coming weeks.

She has also pointed out that the closure of a station counter, or area for public access, is not the same as closing the police station.



## Rotary support for refuge

**PRESIDENT of the Rotary Club of Dorchester, Ian Dominy, Refuge chair Molly Rennie and Andy Davies who walked 'coast to coast' to celebrate his 70th birthday and raise the money for the refuge**

WEST Dorset Women's Refuge has been presented with a £4,500 cheque from the Rotary Club of Dorchester.

The money was handed over to chair Molly Rennie, who said that during the past 16 years the refuge has been able to help more than 350 women and their children, just a fraction of the real need in the area.

In his year as President of the Rotary Club of Dorchester, Ian Dominy made the refuge his choice of charity for the year and praised the excellent work of the refuge and Molly and her colleagues for their dedicated work.

He also thanked a former Rotary Club president, Andy Davies who raised the money by walking coast to coast to celebrate his 70th birthday.

# Raising a glass to 2014

EXPECT a rush – that's the advice from organisers of Dorchester's annual Beerex beer festival as tickets go on sale on January 1st.

Last year all of the tickets for the two-day event were snapped up by beer lovers within a couple of days.

The next festival, the 26th, will be held over the weekend of Friday, February 7th and Saturday 8th in the town's Corn Exchange.

The event is run and organised by a committee made up of members of West Dorset Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA) and Dorchester Round Table.

Over the last 25 years the festival has raised more than £100,000 for charities and good causes.

The next festival's main charity benefactor will be "Gully's Place" an area that is coming to the children's unit at Dorset County Hospital.

The sole aim is to provide a purpose designed suite with an aim to provide dignity and privacy to young patients requiring palliative end of life care. It will also pro-



**BEEREX team from left Alison Ryder, chairman of Gully's Place charity, Ellis Ford Beerex 2014 Chairman, Rich Gabe West Dorset CAMRA and Rob Martin Dorset Piddle Brewery Director**

vide facilities for their families to stay with them.

Lead Paediatric nurse and chair of Gully's Place charity said: "We'd like to thank the Beerex committee for nominating us as their main charity and look forward to the festival."

Local brewery Dorset Piddle is the main festi-

val sponsor.

Brewery director Rob Martin said: "We are delighted to sponsor the event and look forward to a fun filled weekend helping to raise money for Gully's Place."

Beerex 2014 chairman Ellis Ford said: "I am honoured to be part of a team raising money for Gully's Place and look

forward to using funds raised at Dorchester Beerex to help with their care work."

Tickets will be available from The Blue Raddle, Dorchester Tourist Information and from CAMRA and Round Table members.

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# Young offenders create a little Christmas cheer

YOUNG offenders have been busy making wooden reindeer.

Teenagers under the supervision of Dorset County Council's youth offending team (YOT) have been

working hard to create some Christmas cheer.

One way young offenders can say sorry for their behaviour is by giving something back to the community.



■ THE Lingham family say hello to Reindeer Cupid and Snowflake on their visit to Trinity Trees in Dorchester with handlers Freya Small and Sarah Sutton

## Reindeer stop for a break

TWO of Santa's Reindeer have been visiting Dorchester – to get the lie of the land prior to making their Christmas deliveries.

Cupid and Snowflake took time out of their busy schedule to stop over at Trinity Trees in Trinity Street for a carrot or two and a well-

earned drink.

Handlers Freya Small and Sarah Sutton explained that the Reindeer felt at home surrounded by so many trees and were happy, while they were there, to say hello to local youngster who popped by to see them.

"It's a really busy time of the year for them, but they were delighted to be in Dorchester and enjoyed saying hello to some of the children...in a few day's time they can look forward to almost a year of rest," said Sarah, dressed in traditional Reindeer herders clothing.

In Dorchester, a herd of wooden reindeer have been carefully hand crafted by young people at the YOT's workshop.

Some of the reindeer are being sold on behalf of the YOT through Poundbury Garden Centre and all money from sales will go direct to local charities, chosen by the victims of the young offenders.

So far the young people have made more than 80 reindeer all unique and all of different sizes. The reindeer are being sold for between £5 and £35 each and range from 15cm high to almost four feet.

One of the young offenders, aged 16, said: "It's been a useful skill to learn and I hope it will bring a lot of festive cheer to families at Christmas."

"It's good to give something back to the community. I've learnt if you put your mind to it you can create something good out of scrap materials."

The Dorset YOT works with young offenders by preventing offending, reducing re-offending and by increasing victim and public confidence. The idea of community based reparation is that the young person undertakes an activity which will benefit the wider community.

Clive Hawkins, Manager, Dorset Youth Offending Team said: "Our young offenders are aged anything between 14 and 17-years of age. This kind of practical, direct community reparation gives them all something to work towards, teaches practical skills and gives the young people something to be very proud of."

Rebecca Knox, Cabinet member for Children's Services said: "Giving young people chances to do something they would never have done before is a really good way of showing them there are choices, positive opportunities for them to make a difference which helps others but importantly helps them get back on track, building confidence and hope."

"As a community, we need to nurture and encourage young people, help them to change their lives away from offending and show them there are other choices."

## Remembering at Christmas



■ MAYOR Stella Jones lighting up the Weldmar Hospice tree

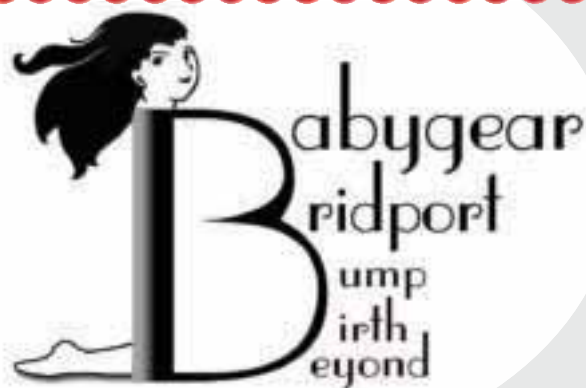
THE Weldmar Hospicecare Trust Light Up a Life Christmas tree will remain lit at the hospice in Dorchester until January 3rd.

The charity is also able to take dedication for its Book of Remembrance for the year up until December 31st.

The 25 foot Christmas tree, which this year came from the Cranborne Estate near Wimborne, was put up for the charity by a team from Kingston Maurward College and lit by SSE.

At the ceremony to light it, a task performed by Dorchester Mayor Stella Jones, several hundred people attended to remember loved ones.

The 2013 Book of Remembrance will remain in the hospice chapel throughout 2014.



# Massive Seasonal Clearance Sale!!

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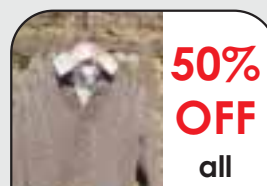
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## A Merry Quangle Christmas

■ PICTURED are The Quangle Wangle Choir getting into the Christmas spirit

DORSET'S Quangle Wangle Choir is getting in the festive spirit with a free concert in Dorchester just after Christmas.

The concert will take place on Saturday, December 28th at the United Church in South Street starting at 7.30pm.

Although a free concert, a collection will be made on behalf of the local charity, Butterflies, who provide spe-

cialised equipment to children with a wide range of disabilities including cerebral palsy, autistic spectrum disorders, ADHD and brittle bones. The Quangle Wangle choir will perform a variety of carols and seasonal songs, many uniquely arranged by their musical director Juliet Harwood.

Further information about the choir can be obtained from their website at [www.qwchoir.co.uk](http://www.qwchoir.co.uk).

## Warm welcome from Gladys' knitted Nativity

VISITORS to the Gundry household in Eddison Avenue, Dorchester can enjoy a woollen welcome with a knitted crib scene.

Dressmaker Mrs Gladys Gundry knitted the figures, as she says, "for a bit of fun."

"I enjoyed it. They didn't really take too long and it brightens up the entrance to the house," said Mrs Gundry who used to work for a local fabric business before branching out on her own in what for most people would be retirement years.



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## New Rotary club to open at Poundbury

DORCHESTER could be about to get a third Rotary Club – this one based at Poundbury and meeting at breakfast once a week.

"For a few weeks a group of people, mostly based on Poundbury and Poundbury businesses, but also from other parts of Dorchester and around, have been meeting and growing in numbers," said Rotary spokesman Peter Noble who has been guiding the new group.

"The pressures of life today for businesses and people means that the time available for such activities is restricted. With two clubs already in Dorchester meeting for lunch, or the evening, not everyone has the time to attend either, although they would be very welcome."

He said that the proposed club plans to meet for a quick and simple breakfast, on Friday mornings at the Octagon, at 07.30am followed by a quick meeting/discussion at 07.45am, finishing in 30 minutes.

"Already there is talk of one or two projects utilising the skills and experiences of the members and an idea for a fundraising event which everyone will enjoy and raise the necessary funds."

Anyone with an interest in the new club is asked to contact Mr Noble on 01305 264070, or email peter@gshow.co.uk.

## Final work party of 2013

THE final work party of the year at Dorchester's Community Farm will be held on Sunday, December 29th between 10am and 3pm.

The tasks include putting up a fence around the new pond and finishing off the compost loo, plus weeding and other routine tasks.

Further information is available by emailing - farm@transitiontowndorchester.org.



## Deck the halls and trim those trees!

■ **JUDGING** takes place at Christchurch Court in Dorchester. From left: Lynne Coombe, Magna resident and judge; Kevin and Katrina Parry, Magna residents at Christchurch Court; Graham Colls, Magna group chief executive

MAGNA sheltered housing schemes across Dorset battled it out for the housing association's annual Christmas decorations competition.

There were three top prizes; one for Dorchester and the area around it, for Bridport and surrounding villages and for Sherborne and surrounding villages.

The top prize and £60 cash for Dorchester went to the Fairfield scheme, the winners for Bridport were Fulbrooks Close and Sher-

borne's winner was Durrant Close.

Lynne Coombe, Magna resident and one of the judging panel, said: "Last year entries were down, so we decided to encourage other schemes. Everyone who entered was given £100 to spend on decorations for their communal room. The result has been a fantastic turn out with some really stunning decorations."

Graham Colls, Magna group chief executive and one of the judges, said: "I was very proud of

all the hard work our residents had put into decorating their communal rooms.

"Many of the decorations were hand-made and had clearly had a lot of thought and effort put into them.

"It's inspiring to see such strong community spirit in our sheltered housing schemes and I'd like to thank everyone who took part.

"I really enjoyed visiting every single site and talking to our residents."



## Bazaar boost for church

■ **CHURCH** funds were boosted at St Peter's with its annual Christmas Bazaar.

Held in the church, the event featured a wide range of stalls and also included a café for the morning.

Pictured are Doreen Cooper and Rosemary Briggs selling Val Potter cakes from their stall at St Peter's Christmas Bazaar

## Deadline looms for competition

LOCAL students have until the end of December to enter a Dorchester Rotary Club Young writer's competition.

The annual contest aims to foster writing skills with imagination and creativity.

Winners of the local competition will go on to a district competition and the successful writers from that contest will go on to the national level. Dorchester and Casterbridge Rotary Club's is calling for entries from young people in the age groups seven-10 and 11-13.

Entry forms can be obtained by e-mail from the Rotary Club's organiser - rowland.cornell@tiscali.co.uk.

The competition is sponsored by Waterstones of Dorchester and small prizes will be given to the best three submissions in each of the two age groups.



## Weymouth & Portland and West Dorset rubbish, recycling and food waste collection arrangements Christmas/New Year 2013-14



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Wednesday 1 Jan	Friday 3 Jan
Thursday 2 Jan	Saturday 4 Jan
Friday 3 Jan	Monday 6 Jan
Monday 6 Jan	Tuesday 7 Jan
Tuesday 7 Jan	Wednesday 8 Jan
Wednesday 8 Jan	Thursday 9 Jan
Thursday 9 Jan	Friday 10 Jan
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- Cartons, foil and textiles can be taken to local mini recycling centres
- For areas with a weekly food waste collection, please use your brown bin for any cooked or uncooked food waste

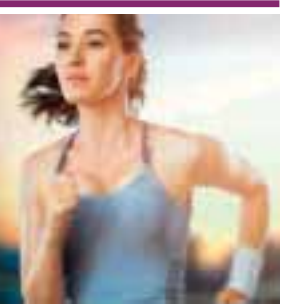
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## The good life

A new year can be a new start and a chance to improve your life. Gabrielle Fagan seeks advice from experts on creating a new you in 2014.

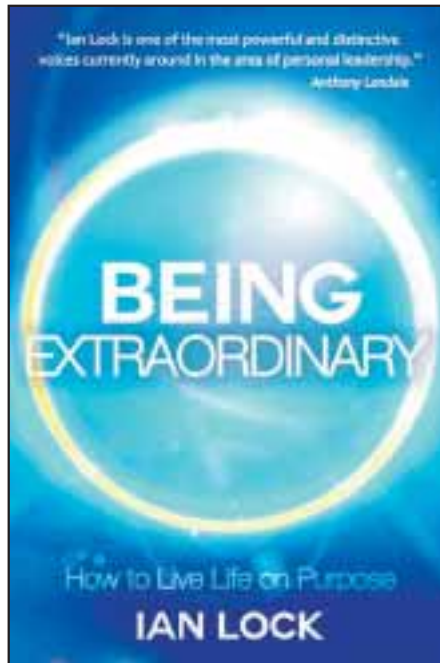
by Gabrielle Fagan

If you're dreaming of a better future and want those goals on your to-do list to become reality - wake up!

So many of us wish that we had the courage to be true to ourselves and live a life which reflects our inner image but all too often we let another year slip by without fulfilling our resolutions.

The start of a new year is a great time to face the fact that it's going to take more than vague hopes to make a difference in your life, and it will involve effort, hard work and focus.

But it's perfectly possible to achieve your ambitions, according to Ian Lock, author of *Being Extraordinary: How To Live Life On Purpose*.



"The good news is that we can all choose to be extraordinary, whatever our circumstances. We can all create a life that we're truly proud to call our own," he says.

"Face the pain, dissatisfaction and frustration that you're tolerating in your life now and become inspired by the dream of a more extraordinary future.

"That may sound ambitious. It is. But unless you make that bold, aspirational statement, you can confidently predict that your energy, belief and commitment to make changes will run out after the first few weeks and you'll end up compromising on your future."

He and other experts give their top tips to help make 2014 your turning point.

### BEING EXTRAORDINARY

• Firstly, identify the words you would like to describe 'you' during this year - for instance, successful, re-invented, or perhaps fitter or more sociable.

"Be challenging and write words that feel stretching and maybe even uncomfortable to you at present but which are how you would need to be to achieve your dream goals," says Ian Lock.

"Think of yourself at your extraordinary best and consider what sort of life you might create for yourself and others."

• Clarify what you really care about.

"This underpins everything we do, say and feel," says Lock. "It's at the core of us and shapes our lives, often unwittingly if we have never crystallised our thoughts on this before."

Consider the beliefs, objects and people as well as the philosophies and moral values which honestly matter to

you, he says.

• Define which changes, and why, you wish to make to your life. Write a list and ensure they're the ones which will give a greater sense of purpose in your life.

"Purpose is often linked with hope and ambition," says Lock.

"Whatever you choose, try to notice whether it gives you either one of those.

"A purpose doesn't have to be as grand as trying to save the world. What is must do is connect you with the life you want to live and the person you want to be. It has to feel right and give you a sense of excitement and energy."

• Over the next month write a diary recording progress towards making those changes, even small steps, and make a note of the actions which haven't worked. When they do work, remind yourself that it was you that made them happen.

"Just the thought that you could be extraordinary requires that you step outside of what is comfortable," says Lock.

"Being extraordinary is just as much about the journey and how we make that journey as it is the result."

Ask your family and friends to help you, where appropriate, to make changes in your life.

Be open to challenges and look forward to a different landscape to your life by the end of the year, he advises.

• Ian Lock is a leadership development consultant and author of *Being Extraordinary: How To Live Life On Purpose*, published by Live It Publishing. For more information, visit [www.being-extraordinary.com](http://www.being-extraordinary.com)

### CHOOSE YOUR VIEW

Bad things happen, from traffic jams and broken boilers to parking tickets, but it's how you deal with them which counts, advises Andy Cope, co-author with Andy Whittaker of *The Art Of Being Brilliant*.

"The 90/10 principle is a general theme around which life is based," says Cope.

"In summary, 10% of life is made up of what happens to you, which you have no control over, and 90% of life is decided by how you react to the 10%.

"So at some point you'll encounter irritations from a flat tyre to miserable work colleagues or travel delays.

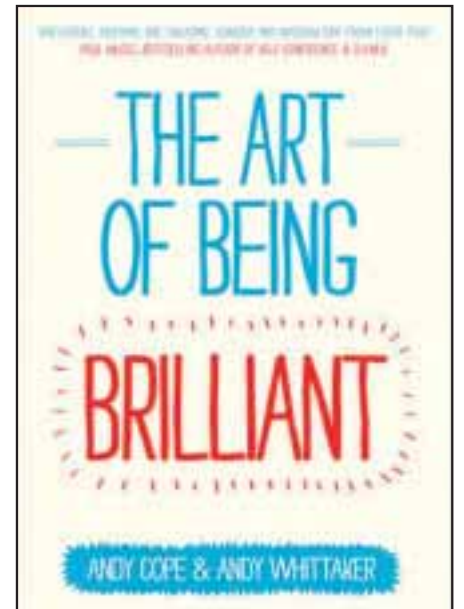
"You can't control those problems but we're absolutely in charge of how we choose to react to them.

"Try to see a benefit in the most unwelcome inconvenience - you may encounter kindness when a fellow motorist helps you with a flat tyre, or an airport delay gives you time to relax or shop.

"It's training your brain to avoid wasteful anger or frustration and use the energy for a better outlook.

"The top 2% of high achievers react in this way, get more positive results and - by spooky coincidence - better lives!"

• *The Art Of Being Brilliant* by Andy Cope and Andy Whittaker is published by Capstone.



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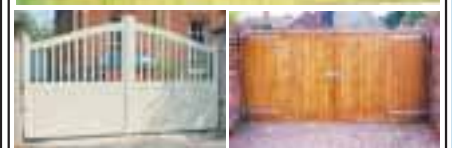
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An exploratory meeting to discuss options for next steps in the development of a draft Local Plan for Weymouth, Portland and West Dorset will take place at West Dorset District Council Offices, South Walks House in Dorchester on 22 January at 10am.

The Government Planning Inspector appointed to conduct an examination into the Local Plan has requested the meeting so that council representatives can address his initial comments and concerns before a public examination of the draft plan can take place.

Although open to the public, the meeting is not being held for objections or concerns about content in the plan to be raised but for the councils to address specific issues highlighted by the inspector, including housing targets.

People cannot participate in discussion unless specifically invited to do so by the inspector.

Should you wish to attend the meeting, please contact the council's Programme Officer Christine Self on 01225 872654 or email [ac.self@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:ac.self@blueyonder.co.uk)

For more information about the Local Plan including an agenda for the meeting, please visit [www.dorsetforyou.com/localplan/examination/west/weymouth](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/localplan/examination/west/weymouth)





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## **Vin Garbutt at Marine Theatre**

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#### Saturday 28th December

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**BarraCoodas** 9.30pm

Nag's Head, LYME REGIS  
**Relics**

#### Sunday 29th December

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Grouvecat** 9-11pm

#### Tuesday 31st December

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
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#### Sunday 5th January

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#### Saturday 11th January

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#### Sunday 12th January

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Gut & Steel** 4pm

#### Saturday 18th January

Marine Theatre, LYME REGIS  
**Vin Garbutt**

Doors 7.45pm  
£14/£13

#### Friday 24th January

Bridport Arts Centre, BRIDPORT  
**Jazz Café: Annika Skoogh**  
**and Philip Clouts**  
8pm.

#### Saturday 25th January

Marine Theatre, LYME REGIS  
**Papa Le Gal**  
Doors 7.45pm  
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Hosted by the inimitable DJ Ben T - dub techno aficionado and former member of Silverfish Records during the peak of London's techno scene. Ben's CV has many notable collaborations including the UK Drum & Bass scene at Speed. He has also worked with PJ Harvey on unreleased tracks, not to mention a residency at the much missed Club UK in Wandsworth where he played alongside DJ dignitaries such as Luke Slater, Richie Hawtin, Carl Cox, Jeff Mills and Laurent Garnier. Ben T is still championing the new sounds of tech today from cutting edge labels in both the UK and beyond.

Ben T has also asked friends from far and wide via social networking to send video messages to him to project them into the public arena on the night. You can send him a link to your video message to [ben@born-yesterday.co.uk](mailto:ben@born-yesterday.co.uk) and he'll show them on the laser board, on

the night.

Dub Tech Disco will exclusively showcase an unmissable collective of artists from emerging label Amp-Art records, including Linkwood, Layfar, Cottam, and Maxim.

Amp-Art has seized the attention of many in the know of the local club DJ scene and was recently featured on Gilles Peterson Worldwide. Dub Tech Disco offers the opportunity to hear these sounds before they cause a sensation in 2014.

Also featuring at on the night is the prodigious talents of the DJ's DJ James Baker. James continues to baffle his peers with his outstanding breadth of musical knowledge and hypnotic mixing skill. Dub Tech Disco will also feature Simon Tappenden, a producer working under several monikers including 'Cyan C', currently collaborating with Cliff Chaudrey on some acidic filled grooves.

The night is strictly over 18 and right of admission is reserved.

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Saturday 28th December  
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### VIN GARBUTT AT THE MARINE THEATRE

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Winner of BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards "Best Live Act" Award 2001.

"Vin cuts through the bull, grasping those he meets firmly by the hand and shaking them up with a dose of laughter and tears. It's a true gift to be able to make us laugh and squirm at the same time, but Vin does both. He should be prescribed on the National Health."

English Folk Dance & Song Society

Vin Garbutt plays at the Marine Theatre on Saturday, January 18th. Doors open 7.45pm, with music from 8.30pm. Tickets £14 full price, or £13 concessions, and are available online at [www.marinetheatre.com](http://www.marinetheatre.com) or by calling 01297 442138. A TheatreFriends discount is available.



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# Audience get bonus double concert

THE Weatherbury Singers final concert of 2013 revolved around a new format allied to a co-production with St Mary's Middle School at Puddletown where the event was held.

The evening performance saw the community choir delivering their own programme as well as singing alongside the various musical and choral groups from the school.

As ever the choir presented a varied and interesting selection of musical styles ranging from the popular, "I'd like to Teach the World to Sing", to music hall with "The Goslings" and from festive numbers such as "Ring Christmas Bells" and "The Little Drummer Boy/Peace on Earth", through to traditional carols and of course the ubiquitous "12 Days of Christmas" which required audience participation vocally as well as performing the appropriate actions.

The south Dorset choir performed ten songs



St Mary's pupil Joe Lyndley took a solo role in the Weatherbury Singers rendition of "Who is this tiny Child"

throughout the evening in addition to joining with school soloist Joe Lyndley with "Who is this tiny Child" and with the Year 8 Choir in a rendition of Noel Nouvelet which was presented in French.

Weatherbury members Louisa McNair and Sue Chapman sang Casanova's "Nuns Chorus" as a duet.

During the interval a draw organised by the choir was completed, the proceeds of over £300 being donated to the school's music department.



DUO Louisa McNair (left) and Sue Chapman performing  
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### TUESDAY DECEMBER 31st

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### SUNDAY JANUARY 5th

**DORCHESTER:** The Dorchester French Circle meeting, 3-5pm at the Wessex Royale Hotel, High West Street. Celebrate the New Year together with a delicious afternoon tea in elegant surroundings. To book your place please phone 01305 854025 by 1st Jan 2014. There will be a discount for members. Spouses and partners, who need not be French speaking, are welcome. The price of the tea party and our full programme is given on our website www.dorchesterfrenchcircle.org

### MONDAY JANUARY 6th

**BRIDPORT:** Bridport Folk Dance Club at 7.30-9.30 pm in the WI Hall, North Street, Bridport. Enjoy folk dancing mainly in the English tradition from Playford-style to modern-day compositions at Bridport's long-established weekly club, with guest and club callers, recorded music and occasional live bands. No partner or previous experience required. Admission £2. Contact Jane on 01308 898 002 or Monty on 01308 423 442.

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### TUESDAY JANUARY 7th

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Regis Art Society. Meeting 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. at Woodmead Halls, Lyme Regis. Rebecca de Mendonca will demonstrate the use of Pastels, with the subject of Children on the Beach. All are welcome. Non-members admittance is £5. Contact Sheila on 01297 445464 for further information.

### THURSDAY JANUARY 9th

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Stars Robert Redford.

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### MONDAY JANUARY 13th

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**BEAMINSTER:** Dorset Moviola present film: 'Red 2' (cert 12A), at the Public Hall. Doors 7pm, film 7.30pm. Tickets £5 (advance) or £5.50 (door). To book tickets call 01308 862796 or email jeanowen@uwclub.net.

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### TUESDAY JANUARY 14th

**BEAMINSTER:** Beaminster Camera Club meeting. 'The Jurassic and other Coast Path Guides, photography and recording techniques' - talk by Roland Tarr. At the Sports Pavilion off Hoghill Street from 7.30pm.

### FRIDAY JANUARY 17th

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Bay Photographic Club meeting. Competition - New Beginnings. From 7.30pm at Woodmead Halls.

### TUESDAY JANUARY 21st

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Regis Art Society. Meeting 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. at Woodmead Halls, Lyme Regis. Shuna George will have fun with Acrylics. All are welcome. Non-members admittance is £5. Contact Sheila on 01297 445464 for further information.

### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 22nd

**EYPE:** West Dorset Decorative and Fine Arts Society meeting. 'Art and the Russian Revolution' talk by Mr Jethro Lyne at Highlands End Leisure Centre from 2.30pm. For more details call 01297 443615.

**UPLYME:** Talk: 'Secrets of Victorian Walled Garden' by Chris Smith of Pennard Plants. Chelsea Gold Medalist. At Uplyme Village Hall, 7.30pm. Organised by Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society. Members free, non-members £3. For more details call 444034.

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### MONDAY FEBRUARY 10th

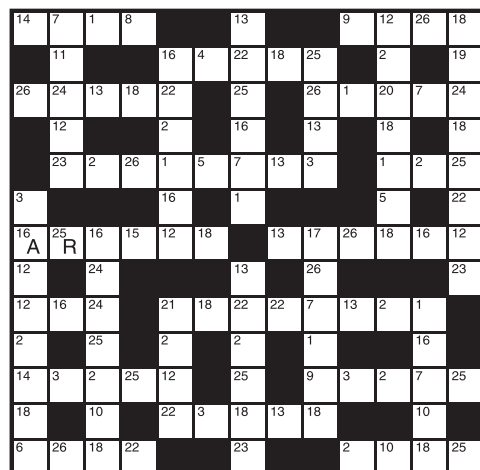
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## Brain Gym

No.253

### Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
H	X	E	A	D	S	L	Y	V	P	Q	K	F
Z	I	M	W	O	C	R	B	T	N	J	G	U

## Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

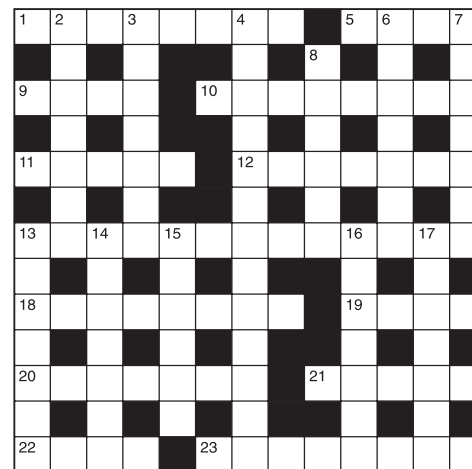
### Cryptic Clues:

#### Across

1. Girl and writer run off to marry (8)
5. Box and get some blows in return (4)
9. Ruler in somewhat sarcastic mood (4)
10. Separate - that's abundantly clear (8)
11. Hiding place many years to find (5)
12. This still produces moonshine (7)
13. Where to sit and be patient while another is down in the mouth! (8,5)
18. But this is quite different from made-mer (3-5)
19. What the waves do to a ship (4)
20. I meant having a change to stimulate (7)
21. Seat of learning? (5)
22. Not far off night (4)
23. They get knocked down in alleys (8)

#### Down

2. Subjugate a European in the East-North-East (7)
3. You're in a sound position in this (7)
4. A boring affliction (4,2,3,4)
6. Use this and presumably all's well (7)
7. Device that still goes round with part missing (7)
8. Not an upright type (6)
13. Dad is wrong in showing contempt (7)
14. Getting closer in range perhaps (7)
15. He comes from the cinema (3-3)
16. A one-handed wood-cutter (7)
17. Encourage another to breathe? (7)



### Quick Clues:

#### Across

1. Scorn (8)
5. Slave (4)
9. Sad to say! (4)
10. Shorten (8)
11. Evenly balanced (5)
12. Copy (7)
13. Imperfection (13)
18. Rite (8)
19. Whirlpool (4)
20. Beginning (7)
21. Tender (5)
22. Always (4)
23. Monocle (8)

#### Down

2. Indirect (7)
3. Leaving a will (7)
4. Temporarily (13)
6. Arise (7)
7. Suitability (7)
8. Contentment (6)
13. Refuse (7)
14. Stealthy (7)
15. Perpetrate (6)
16. Requisite (7)
17. Sorrow (7)

## Sudoku

8				9	1			
			6		7			
6		1		7		5	3	
		7	4	2				
4	5			9		3		
				1	7	4		
9				3			4	5
	6	4			2			9
7			9	4				6

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

6	7	5	2	4	9	8	1	3
1	4	8	6	7	3	5	9	2
3	2	9	5	1	8	6	7	4
8	1	2	7	3	6	4	5	9
5	3	6	1	9	4	7	2	8
4	9	7	8	2	5	1	3	6
7	6	3	9	8	1	2	4	5
9	5	1	4	6	2	3	8	7
2	8	4	3	5	7	9	6	1

LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:  
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Indeed; 4 Canals; 9 Consideration; 10 Epistle; 11 Erase; 12 Again; 14 Crest; 18 Roams; 19 Ostich; 21 Mathematician; 22 Thrust; 23 Jersey. Down: 1 Inches; 2 Danc-ing master; 3 Evict; 5 Amateur; 6 Animal spirits; 7 Sonnet; 8 Level; 13 Insteps; 15 Prompt; 16 Local; 17 Shanty; 20 Thine. QUICK - Across: 1 Refuge; 4 Advise; 9 Correspondent; 10 Askance; 11 Ether; 12 Moral; 14 Syrup; 18 Pilot; 19 Be- witch; 21 Indispensable; 22 Eleven; 23 Defend. Down: 1 Racial; 2 Foreknowledge; 3 Green; 5 Densely; 6 Inexhaustible; 7 Extort; 8 Speed; 13 Artist; 15 Sprite; 16 Abbey; 17 Shrewd; 20 Waste.





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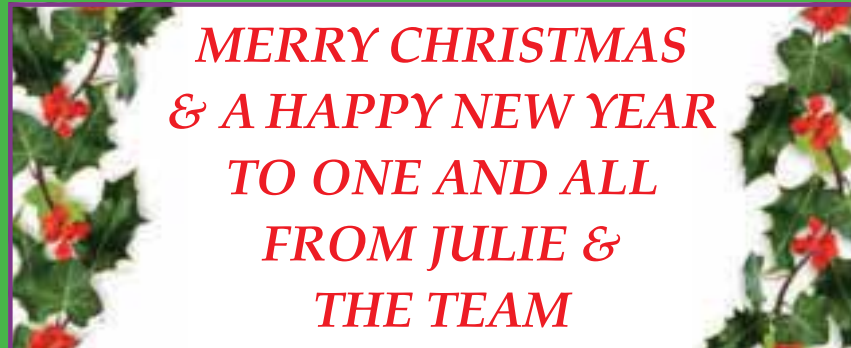
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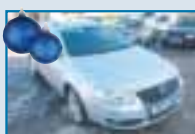
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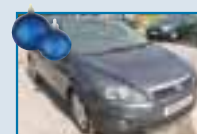
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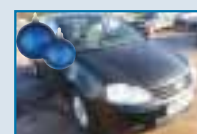
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## FOOTBALL ROUND-UP

# Only seven games survive

### Round-up

WITH only two games surviving the adverse weather condition it allowed Portland United to move back into top-spot following their 7-0 thrashing of visitors Shaftesbury Town. Adam Linaker and Lewis Clarke both scored hat-tricks and there was one for Ashley Smith.

Weymouth Reserves stay in the top four with a 6-1 victory at Poole Borough with goals from Sean Zima (2), Aiden Jackson, Luke Chatterton, Paul Ford and Oscar Preece.

### RESULTS - Saturday, December 21st

#### Premier League

Poole Borough 1-6 Weymouth Res, Portland Utd 7-0 Shaftesbury Town.

#### Dorset League Division One

Dorchester Sports 3-1 Bere Regis.

#### Dorset League Division Two

Gillingham A 6 Sturm Newton Res 0, Wyke Regis SC 2-3 Portland Town.

#### Dorset League Division Three

Portland Town Res 3-5 Broadstone.

#### Dorset League Division Five

Piddletrenthide Res 3-2 Portland Utd Youth.

### FIXTURES - Saturday, December 28th

#### Premier League

Blandford Utd v Poole Borough, Cranborne v Holt Utd, Hamworthy Utd res v Hamworthy Recreation, Portland Utd v Wareham Rangers, Shaftesbury v Mere Twon, Sherborne Res v Parley Sports, Swanage & H v Merley Cobham, Tintinhull v Bridport Res.

## Wessex area point-to-point 2014 preview

**RICHARD Barber** has his usual strong team of pointers at Seaborough near Beaminster, including hunter chase winner Round Tom, a potential Cheltenham Foxhunter candidate, Bellsinni Ron, winner of four of his five outings last season, and the evergreen Barneys Mate, who can add to his 21 career victories.

Siege Of Troy, who was well in contention when falling at the Berkeley, also returns.

The stable has its customary intake of younger horses and the market at early meetings is sure to highlight ones to follow.

**Lucia Borradaile** will campaign Classic Swain, who opened his pointing account at Milborne St Andrew in 2013, from her Stoke Abbot near Beaminster home.

**Robert and Nicky Atkinson** have three horses at Cattistock near Dorchester. Milborne St Andrew winner Regal Spider is joined by Fontano, the winner of two races under Rules for the Emma Lavelle stable, and ex-Irish 7yo Walker Ridge.

**Graham Foot** has two horses at Askerwell near Bridport. Stable star Johnny's Way returns after missing 2013 and is joined by Graham's homebred Syo Askers Lad.

Sherborne owner-trainers **Richard and Ruth Dimond** will race Merry Terry, who returns to hunt racing after winning four point-to-points in 2011.

Kington Magna near Gillingham owner-trainer **Mark Hoskins** will race For Sahkey Moony, who was unlucky not to open his UK pointing account at Bratton Down in 2013 under Emma Hamilton.

**Rilly Goschen** has three horses at Nyland near Gillingham. These are Thunder On, who opened her account at Larkhill, Peper Harow winner Extra Bold and Risk, third in his two 2012 hunter chases.

Motcombe near Shaftesbury trainer **Pat Bryant** will race Treborough Hill winner River Indus, a possible first ride for 18yo Harriet Tucker. Two young horses may also be in action later in the season.

Wincanton Racecourse chairman **Guy Henderson** joins pointing's training ranks from his Shaftesbury home.

Guy will campaign the ex-Paul Nicholls-trained Minella Stars, a promising second at the season's opening meeting at Black Forest Lodge in December.

**Mary Tory** has six pointers at Thorncombe near Blandford, including Crank Hill, the winner of five point-to-points to date. Battle Bridge misses 2014, so Chloe

Swaffield will partner Gleann Ri, a private purchase from Robin Butterworth.

Newcomers include Give Us The Wink and an unmade four-year-old gelding, both homebred by Mary's mother-in-law Ann Tory out of her winning point-to-pointer Wink And Whisper.

**Harriet Besent**, from Melcombe Bingham near Dorchester, will again be aboard Deimne, who provided Harriet with a dream debut in Larkhill's Royal Artillery hunt race last January.

**Monica and Norman Tory** will again race stable stalwart Gunner Be Quick, to be ridden by their son, Rupert, from their Winterborne Whitechurch yard.

Okeford Fitzpaine trainer **Sally Alner** will race a small string of pointers headed by 2013 Wessex Leading Horse Master Medic, who was unbeaten in six point-to-points and won Wincanton's Lady Riders' Series Final hunter chase.

**Michael Miller** has three horses in his Hazelbury Bryan yard this season. Promising Larkhill runner-up Token Bay, who is part-owned by Michael's brother, Andrew, and Jill Miller's Sparkling Miss, a once raced five-year-old out of the prolific Miss O'Grady, are joined by Steve and Sandra Bailey's unraced homebred Our Coco.

## Rugby news

# Girls rugby coming to the fore

THE Dorset & Wilts Under 15 Girls rugby team brought their county season to a close with a double header against Berkshire and Devon at Weymouth RFC, and despite close defeats in both matches, the coaching and management team were immensely proud of their girls efforts.

Against **Berkshire** it was the visitors who started the game the stronger with two quick tries that would set the tempo for the game to follow.

Strong forward play from Berkshire

and some defensive frailty on the part of Dorset & Wilts ultimately proved decisive as the visitors ran out 27-0 winners.

Dorset & Wilts showed glimpses of their potential in their second game against **Devon**.

They were rewarded early on when Weymouth scrum-half, Jess Berry managed to secure quick ball from a ruck before Maddie Higson rounded the Devon defence to score in the corner.

Dorset & Wilts continued to pressure their opponents but could not capitalise on their strong start.

As the game wore on, it was the fitness of Devon that split the two sides as they eventually ran out 21-5 winners.

The management hope that this experience will encourage more girls within the local area and countywide to take up the sport, and look forward to seeing new and old faces alike at the trials in 2014.



■ **ENCOURAGING PROGRESS:** The Dorset & Wilts Under 15's team who showed encouraging progress pictured with coaches Ben Heath and Nathan Parker and manager Ross Astill. **Photo by CHRIS DAVIS**

## Seniors enjoy a successful year



■ **GUESTS OF HONOUR:** Line-up, from left: Des Lochrie (club professional), Dave Baker (president), Derrick Baker (Seniors captain) and Colin Huckle (Club captain)

WEYMOUTH Golf Club Seniors celebrated a successful year with their annual Christmas dinner which was attended by 96 members.

Derrick Baker, the Seniors Captain, reported that they had won the Nantes Trophy from Bridport, whilst there were big turnouts for the Whisky Scramble, the Open Four Ball Better Ball and both the Captains Home and Away Days.

Presentations were made to Roger Howes for the Eclectic, Dick Leonard for the Order of Merit and a special prize to Phil Tyler for his long and meritorious service to the Seniors Section.

Guests included Colin Huckle, the club captain, David Baker, the club president, Doug Pratt, past president and Des Lochrie, the club professional

## Weymouth Basketball Club

# Bears maul gallant Bandits

### Weymouth Bandits 48 Bournemouth Bears 79

WEYMOUTH Bandits first home game of the season at Budmouth College ended in defeat when they were beaten by league leaders the Bournemouth Bears.

The Bandits were slow out of the blocks in the opening quarter with seven straight points scored on them by the tough opposition.

Vitoldas Balciunas opened the scoring for the Bandits, but sadly couldn't fire up the offense as much as needed and after a flurry of baskets the Bandits ended the quarter trailing 5-16.

The second quarter was a much more intense with both teams ramping up the pressure on both the defensive and offensive ends of the court.

Multiple baskets from both Craig Sorrell and Jim De Bertrand helped the Bandits go onto score 14 in the quarter, but sadly the Bears also managed to put in an impressive quarter for offensive, leaving the Bandits trailing 20-40 at half-time.

After the break and a team talk Weymouth started the struggle of trying to gain some ground on the visitors.

The offensive pressure was stepped up a notch resulting in a quarter that saw the majority of the Bandits points come from the free throw line, and although they ended the quarter having scored 11 points, sadly the Bears traded point for point and were still in command 53-41.

Unfortunately the fourth quarter saw the Bandits struggle to stop the offense of the Bears, allowing them to go on runs of scoring consecutive baskets.

With this tempo and the lead they had already created, Weymouth sadly ran out of time to catch up with the leaders who ran out easy winners.

Coach Alex Fuhrmann said: "I thought we played very well, considering we are facing such an impressive side as the Bears and we are not close to league favourites.

"We had a plan to push them towards the basket and force them to win from the free throw line.

"It's still not a victory, but switching from a 50 point defeat to a 30 point defeat, shows in only a couple of weeks, we are a better team."

**Scorers/Rosters:** Jim De Bertrand 8, Giles Heaman 8, Max Gilmartin 6, Craig Sorrell 6, Chris Canham 6, Vitoldas Balciunas 5, Sam Brown 3, Richard Camp 2, Carl Carter 2, Josh Turner 2.



■ **TOP SCORER:** Jim De Bertrand who top scored for the Bandits



## Swimmers end year on a high

CHARD & DISTRICT Swimming Club completed their final Open Meets of 2013 with three meetings over two weekends; the Yeovil Christmas Meet held over two days at Millfield, and the West Dorset Meet held at Dorchester and the Regional short course championships at Millfield. **WRITES HANNAH PULLINGER.**

Seventeen swimmers aged between 9-17 took part at Yeovil, notching up some great performances and gaining 15 top three medal positions; eight golds, five silvers and two bronze.

Six regional qualifying times and an amazing 34 county times were also achieved.

New club records were also set by Melissa Hanson (15) in the 400m freestyle, and Henry Taswell (12) in the 50 and 200m backstroke.

Gold winners were: Ben Fowler (17) 50m backstroke and 100m freestyle, Melissa Hanson, 100m backstroke, 400m freestyle, and Henry Taswell, 50 and 200m backstroke, 50 and 100m butterfly.

The West Dorset Meet had 18 swimmers competing, gaining 29 top three medal positions: 11 golds, eight silvers and ten bronze, with four regional times and 26 county qualifying times achieved.

Gold winners were: Ollie Bilbie (15) 50 and 100m freestyle, 50 and 100m backstroke, Jake Hallam (17) 100m freestyle, 100m breaststroke, Xanthe Dyer (11) 100m breaststroke, Baylei Callow (11) 50m butterfly, Abi Greenslade (9) 50m freestyle, 50m butterfly and Milie Downes (9) 50m breaststroke.

Eight swimmers qualified and entered the Regional Short Course Championships at Millfield; Hannah Pullinger, Ben Fowler, Tessa Down, Abi Dare, Lauren Harrison, Ollie Bilbie, and Jamie Pullinger, and Melissa Hanson who improved on the club 400m freestyle record she set the previous weekend at Yeovil.

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## WEST BAY SEA ANGING

# Nathan hangs on to take Jurassic title

### Jurassic League Final December 14th

WEST Bay Sea Angling Club's last junior match of the year and final of the junior's Jurassic League took place in rather unpleasant weather with rough seas and strong winds, so most chose to fish from the shelter of the black hut on the East Pier at West Bay.

The league is fished over four matches in November and December but due to a cancellation, only three matches took place this year.

The fishing has been very poor this autumn with very little caught, and so going into this match leader Nathan McMaster with a slender lead of just 96g was not in a strong position.

As it turned out, only four fish were caught by four different competitors which meant that Nathan held on to his lead to take the title. T

Ten juniors fished on the day with fifteen in total taking

part in the league. The winner of the last match was the club's youngest member, Lucas Voss aged 4, with a five-bearded rockling which earned him second place overall.

This year the presentation evening at the Salhouse, where a delicious buffet was kindly laid on courtesy of the Punch and Judy Bakery, had a 'witches and wizards' theme to the fancy dress party which was judged by, the club's new president, Dave Cornick.

He decided Imogen Harwood was the best with Eden Lynham in second and Aaron Chambers third.

Full results were as follows: 1st: Lucas Voss 83g, 2nd: Ewan Chambers 45g, 3rd: Elliot Joy 26g, 4th: Eden Lynham 11g, Heaviest flat: Eden Lynham 11g flounder, Heaviest round: Lucas Voss 83g five-bearded rockling, Most species: shared with top four, Smallest flounder: Eden Lynham 11g flounder.

The sponsors were: Watch-house Cafe, Kay Guppy, Richard 'Tiny' Daw, Paul Lynham and Jason Salvador Swords.

**Jurassic League 2013**  
Overall result: 1st: Nathan Mc-

Master, 2nd: Lucas Voss, 3rd: Ewan Chambers, 4th: Aaron Chambers, 5th: Jamie Salvador Swords.

Sponsors: Richard 'Tiny' Daw, Hilary Smith, Hugh Rathbone, Paul House, Gus Parkman, Nigel and Jane Smith

and Punch and Judy Bakery. The junior section would like to say a big thank you and Merry Christmas to all the families, friends, members and businesses that have supported them so generously over the season.

**■ GREAT END TO SEASON:** Witches and wizards parade at the last match of the season with overall Jurassic League 2013 winner Nathan McMaster (second left back row) and winner of the last match Luke Voss (4) middle front together with fancy dress winner Imogen Harwood stood next to him.



## Lyme Regis golf Wight, Lyon and Yorke shine

By Richard Jackman  
LAST Saturday Lyme Regis Golf Club held the first round of the Dorset County Henderson Trophy.

This was well attended by Lyme Regis GC players with Stuart Wight, David Lyon and George Yorke coming 3rd, 6th and 8th respectively out of a field of 31 players.

### wash out

With the men's competition washed out the

ladies enjoyed a break in the weather to compete in their nine-hole Christmas pairs competition.

With the course festooned with lookalike santas and the odd (not in the strange way!) Christmas tree and snowwoman, the competition was won by Karen Nicholson & Rosie Jackman with 36 points from Sandra Barclay & Kathy Briggs in 2nd place with 32 points.

## Bridport & District Pool League

Table Week 13)	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-Pts
Burstock Grangers.....	12	11	0	1	83	37	46 83
Bang Tidy.....	12	9	1	2	75	45	30 75
Knapp Inn.....	12	6	3	3	66	53	13 66
Benidwaffleangers.....	12	5	3	4	66	54	12 66
Red Hot Shots.....	12	6	3	3	65	55	10 65
Shameless.....	12	4	3	5	57	63	-6 57
Trawlerz.....	12	4	3	5	57	63	-6 57
Bradpole Club.....	12	4	3	5	55	65	-10 55
Just the Tip.....	12	4	2	6	55	65	-10 55
Ringers.....	12	3	4	5	55	65	-10 55
Hope & Anchor.....	12	3	3	6	54	65	-11 54
Pocket Rockets*.....	12	1	4	7	49	71	-22 46
Longshots.....	12	1	2	9	42	78	-36 42

### Top Players

- 1) Nick Sully (Burstock Grangers) Pld 24 W 20 (83.3%).
- 2) Ben Frampton (Burstock Grangers) 24/18/75%
- 3) Andy Jones (Bradpole Club) & Tony Coe (Ringers) both 24/17/70.8%.

## Lyme Regis Cribbage

**RESULTS,** December 16th: Cloakham Lawns 2 Ship Inn LR 3, Lamb Swans 2 Nags Head LR 3, New Inn Kilminster B 2 New Inn Kilminster A 3, Royal Oak 2 Steps 3, Axminster Con Club 2 Beer Club 3.

### Beer League

Cloakham Lawns 2 Ship Inn LR 1, Lamb Swans 2 Nags Head LR 1, New Inn Kilminster B 2 New Inn Kilminster A 1, Royal Oak 1 Steps 2, Axminster Con Club 0 Beer Club 3.

Table week 15	Pld	Pts	Beer League	Pld	Pts
Lamb Swans.....	14	43	New Inn Kilm A.....	13	24
New Inn Kilm A.....	13	40	Lamb Swans.....	14	24
New Inn Kilm B.....	14	36	New Inn Kilm B.....	14	23
Ax Con Club.....	13	35	Ax Con Club.....	13	20
Beer Club.....	13	35	Beer Club.....	13	20
Nags Head LR.....	14	32	Royal Oak.....	14	20
Royal Oak.....	14	32	Gerrard Arms.....	13	19
Cloakham Lawns.....	13	31	Steps.....	13	18
Ship Inn LR.....	13	31	Ship Inn LR.....	13	18
Steps.....	13	26	Cloakham Lawns.....	13	17
Gerrard Arms.....	12	22	Nags Head LR.....	14	15

# Target TAGB celebrate fantastic grading results

THE Target TAGB Tae Kwon-Do group of schools, based in various east Devon and west Dorset towns and villages, are celebrating a fantastic belt grading, in which 100 per cent of the students entered passing; several of them getting extremely good results.

The students were put through their paces by Master Michael Dew, 8th dan black belt, grading examiner and vice chairman of the Tae Kwon-Do Association of Great Britain (TAGB), which has been celebrating its 30th anniversary this year, having been formed in August 1983.

Among the 40 students who passed, there were some excellent results.

New yellow belts Iain Cowper and Tom Staple (Bridport), George Cable (Axminster) and Rudi Tobin (Sidmouth), all received the superior standard Plus Pass, while "A" passes (the highest level of pass) went to Kyle Hughes of Axminster, Nathan Halkes Wellstead of Charnmouth, and to Jack Jenkins, Connor Preston and Jamie Wyant, all of Sidmouth.

Hughes' A pass was particularly exceptional, as it is quite rare for anyone to achieve this at the high-

est and most difficult of the colour belt gradings.

He is now a 1st Kup, which means his next grading will involve trips to Weston Super Mare and Bristol to prepare for the rigorous black belt examination, for which he will be training hard during 2014.

Gerry Waugh, instructor of Axminster, Charnmouth and Sidmouth schools, said: "I am delighted with the results.

"Everyone put a lot of effort in and worked hard to put on a really good standard. I am proud of them all".

His students got all six of the A Passes, the three grading awards (for Hughes, Halkes Wellstead and Jenkins, respectively) and two of the Plus Passes, with the other two going to students of the Bridport school, taught by Miss Chloe Richards.

All students also passed at Colyton, taught by Mr Daren Sainsbury.

It was also a special grading for Mr Waugh, as his wife, Vanessa, who after watching her husband and son from the sidelines at tae kwon-do classes for more than ten years, had finally joined and despite ankle problems, she also passed her first ever grading.

For details of the classes available in Axminster, Bridport, Charnmouth, Colyton or Sidmouth, go to <http://targettagb.co.uk/html/training.html> or call 01297 639830.

**Full results: Promoted to 9th Kup** (yellow stripe): Pass: Vanessa Waugh (Axminster; Mai Miles (Bridport); Morgan Staple (Bridport)

**Promoted to 8th Kup** (yellow belt): A Pass / Grading Award: Nathan Halkes-Wellstead (Charnmouth); Jack Jenkins (Sidmouth); A Pass: Richard Frisby (Axminster); Jamie Wyant (Sidmouth). Pass Plus: George cable (Axminster); Iain Cowper (Bridport); Tom Staple (Bridport); Rubi Tobin (Sidmouth).

Pass: Steve Phillips (Bridport); Evan Hourihan (Colyton); Finn Hourihan (Colyton); Harry Carter (Colyton); Josh Frewin (Colyton); Maia Jenkins (Colyton); James Fawell (Sidmouth).

**Promoted to 7th Kup** (green stripe): A Pass: Connor Preston (Sidmouth). Pass: Sam Fletcher (Axminster); Julie Kelly (Bridport).

**Promoted to 6th Kup** (green belt): Pass: James Cable (Axminster); Rachel Kelly (Bridport); Simon Aze (Bridport); Nathan Moorey (Charnmouth); Karin Frewin (Colyton); Matt Frewin (Colyton).

**Promoted to 5th Kup** (blue stripe): Pass: Christian Hand (Axminster).

**Promoted to 4th Kup** (blue belt): Pass: Jamie Thomas (Charnmouth); Josh Gill (Sidmouth); Matthew Thomas (Sidmouth); Sebastian Downham (Sidmouth).

**Promoted to 3rd Kup** (red stripe): Pass: Dylan Shepperd (Sidmouth)

**Promoted to 2nd Kup** (red belt): Pass: Ethan Huxford (Axminster); Carl Jordan (Charnmouth); Masie Bellworthy (Charnmouth); Jamie O'Brien (Sidmouth).

**Promoted to 1st Kup** (black stripe): A Pass / Grading Award: Kyle Hughes (Axminster). Pass: Steve Mines (Bridport); Sophie Hilton (Colyton).



**■ PERFECT:** Some of the Target TAGB students, wearing casual clothing for the last training session before the grading in order to keep their uniforms looking their best for the big event, who all passed their gradings

## Skittles

# Bridport League

CUP fixtures - week beginning Monday, December 30th;

**Over 58s - 1st Round** (no byes - eight winners each alley)

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 3RD**

**Clock:** A Wiscombe; L Dare; B Churchill; M Gurd; J Brooks; M Legg; A Huxter; V Cozens; C Hopkins; N Pye; D. Fox; G Barnes; D Maunders; B Chapple; P Scott; R Herbert; H Yeatman.

**Bridport FC:** S Gale; B Legg; M Chivers; B Crandon; D Salter; C Langdon; M Hansford; L Farnham; T Davis; G Legg; B Herbert; D Hocking; S Yeatman; M Barnes; L Smith; M Willcox.

Week beginning Monday, 6th January, **Mens Pairs - 2nd Round** (four winners each alley)

**MONDAY, JANUARY 6TH**

**Bridport FC:** D Maunders & DJ Maunders; M Gurd & P Johnson; K Groves & R Norman; M Powell & S Lee; H Rathbone & S Welsford; A Poulley & R Frampton; J Smith & R Poulley; B Pitcher & H Mills.

**West Dorset Club:** M Symonds & J Cook; P Symonds & R Clark; C Langdon & P Scott; B Herbert & R Herbert; D Hocking & D Hoskins; D Horton & L Slocombe; L Dare & C Barnes; S Pitcher & A Cauldwell.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 7TH**

**Tiger:** A Huxter & N Pye; S Cauldwell & M Legg; M Willcox & J Sellick; B Chapple & M Barnes; M Hooper & S Smith; G Brooks & Partner; I Pincombe & M Horton; S Gale & L Farnham.

Wednesday, January 8th  
**Clock:** D Gudge & M Gudge; M Huxter & N Gurd; T Cleal & A Way; K Readings & B Robinson; D Cooper & R Pincombe; S Challis & P Tuck; C Willcox & M Chivers; Z Cauldwell & D Cowburn.

**Ladies Three's - 1st Round** (two byes)

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 7TH**

**Lord Nelson:** B Snaps; Middle Talent; The Trio; Three H's.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8TH**  
**Bradpole Club:** Vals Three; Snaps; Senior Talent; Alleycats  
King Charles; Junior Talent; Yondover Three; Naughty Nymphs; Three Sisters;





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## INSIDE: Local sport round up

### Dorch and Terras looking for change of fortune

BOTH Dorchester Town and Weymouth will be hoping that the New Year will bring better fortunes - but for different reasons.

Terras fans will hope the perceived pantomime that is going on, both on the pitch and in the boardroom, will change for the better.

At The Avenue it is hoped that the problems that have affected the Magpies on the pitch since the Community Trust took control earlier in the year will settle down and they will get the success they deserve on the pitch.

This year has seen Weymouth lurch from one crisis to the next with accusations of division in the boardroom, whilst the poor form of the team on the pitch has seen Brendon King and Matt Groves lose their jobs.

With an alleged budget of well over £4,000 per week, a squad containing a number of "star" names has been assembled and were expected to be pushing for promotion from the Calor Southern Premier Division this season, but following a run of poor results which had seen the Terras lose seven of their last ten league matches and plunged them

by Stuart Broom  
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to 16th place saw the board wield the axe.

Both King and Groves are honest men and tried their hardest to make it work, but if the rumour they had lost the respect of the senior players, and with it the dressing room is to be believed, then it was inevitable.

#### temporary manager

Although the club are believed to have received a number of applications for the vacant manager's job, chairman Nigel Biddlecombe says they are in no hurry to fill it and have placed keeper Jason Matthews in temporary charge.

It appears a good decision as the Terras have drawn one a won one so far under Matthew's tenure; the latest a 4-1 home victory over relegation threatened Bedford Town on Saturday with braces from Stewart Yetton and Luke Burbidge.

Maybe the New Year will see Matthews given the job on a permanent basis?

Over the Ridgeway, Dorchester Town boss

Phil Simkin and assistant Stuart Heath are working in the opposite direction to the Terras having lost the majority of their star players after the board cut their budget from £3,700 to just £1,200 a week.

With a decimated squad and lack of experience, the Magpies picked up just one point from their first seven games, and things looked bleak as they appeared to have been cut adrift at the bottom of the Skril South.

However Simkin was determined not to give up without a fight and his knowledge and contacts with AFC Bournemouth and Exeter City have seen loan players help bolster the senior players and help bring a number of the younger ones through from the reserves.

The resolve and camaraderie within the players and management, something that perhaps Weymouth could learn from, has seen them slowly turn things around.

They are currently still bottom but only on goal difference with three other clubs, with two more only three points better off. We can only hope that both clubs keep moving forward in the New Year.



■ CONGRATULATIONS: Woolbridge Motor Club President Colin Pook presents Charminster's Hayley Thorne with the Carpenter Shield at the club's recent annual awards evening.  
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WAS ~~£269~~ NOW **£199**  
SAVE £60



3ft NIPPON -  
METAL  
FRAME ONLY

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SAVE £40



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PINE BUNK  
BED

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3ft MODERNA  
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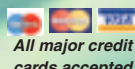
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### CHECKLIST

CHECK BEFORE YOU BUY

- ✓ QUALITY OF THE PRODUCT
- ✓ AVAILABILITY
- ✓ READY ASSEMBLED
- ✓ PRICE

BE CONFIDENT IN WHAT YOU BUY

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